










TOLL RATES

EFFECTIVE APRIL 4, 2004

MAURICE J. TOBIN MEMORIAL BRIDGE






CLASS TOLL DESCRIPTION

MASSACHUSETTS PASSENGER/MOTORCYCLE REGISTRATION ONLY

CLASS 1	3.00	Private passenger vehicle 2 axles	
CLASS 1+1	3.50	Private passenger vehicle with trailer 2 axles + 1 extra axle	
CLASS 1+2	4.00	Private passenger vehicle with trailer 2 axles + 2 extra axles	
CLASS 1	2.50	Private passenger vehicle 2 axles with Transponder	
CLASS 1+1	3.00	Private passenger vehicle with trailer 2 axles + 1 extra axle w/Transponder	
CLASS 1+2	3.50	Private passenger vehicle with trailer 2 axles + 2 extra axles w/Transponder	
*RESIDENT	.30	Chelsea/Charlestown resident with Transponder private passenger vehicle or motorcycle 2 axles	
*RESIDENT	.50	Chelsea/Charlestown resident with Transponder private passenger vehicle or motorcycle with trailer 2 axles + 1 axle	
*RESIDENT	.50	Chelsea/Charlestown resident with Transponder private passenger vehicle or motorcycle with trailer 2 axles + 2 axles	

CLASS TOLL DESCRIPTION

ALL OTHER MASSACHUSETTS REGISTRATIONS (EXCEPT MBTA)

CLASS 2	4.50	Commercial two-axle vehicle 2 axles	
CLASS 3	4.50	Commercial three-axle vehicle 3 axles	
CLASS 4	6.00	Commercial four-axle vehicle 4 axles	
CLASS 5	7.50	Commercial five-axle vehicle 5 axles	
CLASS 6	9.00	Commercial six-axle vehicle 6 axles	

\$1.00 Each additional axle

* Resident Commuter Tolls Payable by Electronic Tolls Only
Motor vehicles description determined by type of registration
(Massachusetts vehicles) or by image and/or type of
non-Massachusetts vehicles.

TOBIN BRIDGE OUTLOOK

Massport is committed to meeting the financial, operational and safety obligations of the Tobin Bridge. To accomplish this mission, during the next ten years, Massport plans to invest \$68 million in maintenance and capital improvements including:

STRUCTURAL STEEL PAINTING PROJECT - insures the structural integrity of the bridge and removes old flaking lead paint using high quality, environmentally sound equipment, certified personnel and stringent public safety environmental guidelines and painting procedures developed with the safety of our neighbors and bridge commuters in mind.

DECK AND PAVEMENT REHABILITATION - replacing old concrete and the grating and repair of the bridge's steel frame will assure the structural integrity of the bridge providing safe and smooth passage for patrons.

SIGNAGE UPDATE PROGRAM - improves customer safety and provides public information services.

SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS - will enhance roadway and harbor surveillance programs to support Homeland Security initiatives and support developing maritime safety procedures.

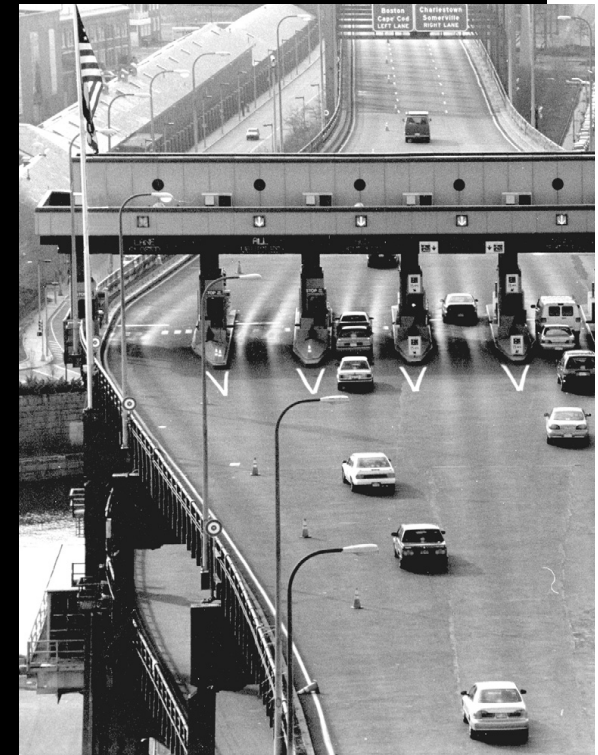
SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS - the installation of tollbooth safety gates will help to enforce roadway speed limits minimizing vehicle accidents and personnel injuries.



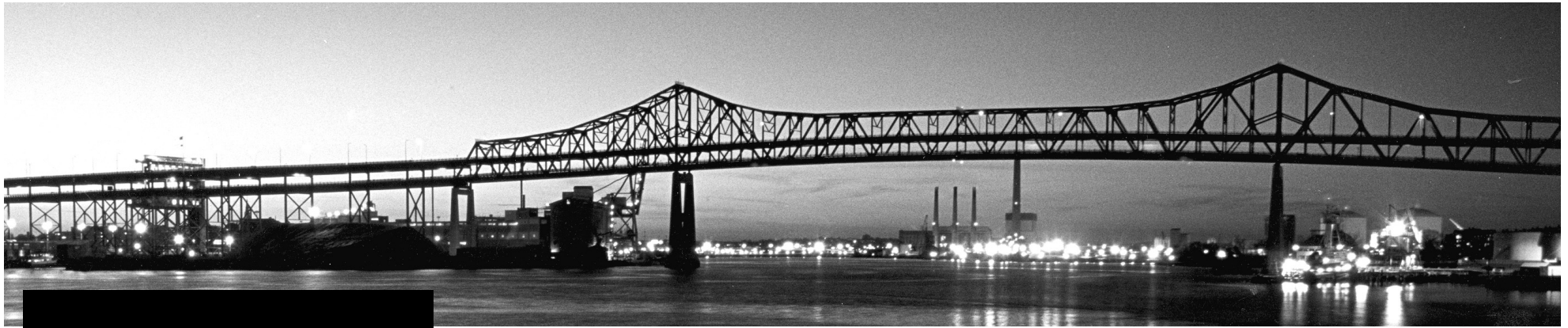
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WHY A TOLL INCREASE?

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ABOUT THE NEW TOLL STRUCTURE



TOBIN MEMORIAL BRIDGE



FROM THE BRIDGE DIRECTOR

The toll for crossing the Maurice J. Tobin Memorial Bridge will increase on April 4, 2004 from \$2.00 to \$3.00. I am pleased to announce that passenger vehicles equipped with a FAST LANE transponder will receive a \$.50 discount on the new rates. I hope the information contained in this pamphlet will help explain why the increase is necessary and more importantly how this new revenue will help us to maintain a safe and secure bridge for the traveling public and our neighbors.

Mary Jane O'Meara
Director
Tobin Memorial Bridge

Q:

What are tolls used for?

A:

Toll revenue from the bridge is used to meet the Tobin's financial, operational, safety and security obligations. Revenue is also used to contribute to the Central Artery/Tunnel Project.

Q:

When will the increase go into effect?

A:

April 4, 2004

Q:

How will the additional toll revenue be used?

A:

The additional toll revenue will help Massport meet its legislated obligation under the Metropolitan Highway System Act and fund the Bridge's capital maintenance programs.

Q:

What are some of the Tobin's maintenance and capital improvement programs and what do they mean to me?

A:

During the next ten years, Massport will invest an estimated \$68 million in current capital improvement plans including steel and concrete repairs, painting and lead paint removal and in proposed capital improvements such as redecking, repaving and safety and security enhancements.

Q:

Is the Tobin Bridge paid for?

A:

No. Massport's net investment to date in the Tobin Bridge is more than \$350 million. Massport refinanced those costs to lower its payments to bond holders for the original cost of the bridge. The toll increase will help reduce the subsidy to the bridge without jeopardizing key public safety, security and maintenance projects.

Q:

How do the Tobin's rates compare to other toll bridges nationwide that access a major American city, even with the toll increase?

A:

In New York, the George Washington Bridge is \$6.00 roundtrip and the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge is \$8.00 roundtrip. San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge more than doubled in price recently when the toll rate escalated from \$2.00 to \$5.00.

Q:

Am I still eligible for the resident discount if I live in Chelsea or Charlestown?

A:

Yes, provided you have a FAST LANE transponder.

Q:

How can I get the Tobin Bridge residential FAST LANE discount?

A:

Residents of Charlestown and Chelsea should call 617-242-7979 and request a Tobin Residential FAST LANE application or visit Massport's website at www.massport.com. Once the completed application is received and the information provided is verified as meeting the discount qualifications (e.g. proof of residency, copy of vehicle registration, etc.), a FAST LANE transponder that registers the Tobin's residential discount will be issued through the U.S. mail.

Q:

How can I get a FAST LANE transponder?

A:

Call the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority at 1-877-627-7745 or visit their website at www.massturnpike.com/fastlane/app.html